

**LICENSING PANEL****9 NOVEMBER 2018**

<b>REPORT TITLE</b>	<b>APPLICATION TO LICENSE A FORD TOURNEO CUSTOM A CABBI AS A HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE</b>
<b>REPORT OF</b>	<b>CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR BUSINESS MANAGEMENT</b>

**REPORT SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is for Members to consider an application to license a Ford Tourneo Custom A Cabbi wheelchair accessible vehicle as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

**RECOMMENDATION/S**

That Members consider whether or not to license the Ford Tourneo Custom A Cabbi wheelchair accessible vehicle as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle.

## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

### **1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1.1 It is a delegated function of this Panel to approve vehicles that can be licensed as Hackney Carriage Vehicles.

### **2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 2.1 There is no provision for other options to be considered.

### **3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3.1 An application has been received from Mr S Marnell to license a Ford Tourneo Custom A Cabbi rear loading wheelchair accessible vehicle as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle. Copies of advertising literature are attached at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The vehicle has been converted by McElmeel Mobility Services Ltd. The conversion includes fitting purpose made ramps, anchor systems and head height mouldings. Each vehicle is converted to order in Northern Ireland. Copies of a letter of conformity for the ramp and a vehicle conversion/adaptation certificate are attached at Appendix 2.
- 3.3 The vehicle has M1 European Whole Vehicle Type Approval.
- 3.4 If Members approve this vehicle to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Mr Marnell intends to supply converted vehicles to the Hackney Carriage Trade.
- 3.5 A vehicle will be available for inspection at the meeting and Mr Marnell will be present to answer any questions members may have.
- 3.6 If this vehicle is approved to be licensed as a Hackney Carriage Vehicle there would be an impact of the space available on Hackney Carriage ranks due to the space required for the ramp to be extended at the rear of the vehicle. This will be discussed with officers from Place Services (Traffic Network) and reported verbally at the meeting.

### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

### **5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 A decision of this Panel can be subject to legal challenge.

### **6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS**

- 6.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

## 7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 There are none arising from this report.

## 8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 This is not a matter that requires consultation.

## 9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific implications arising from this report.

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## APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Advertising literature

Appendix 2 - Letter of conformity for ramp and vehicle conversion/adaptation certificate

## REFERENCE MATERIAL

### SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date